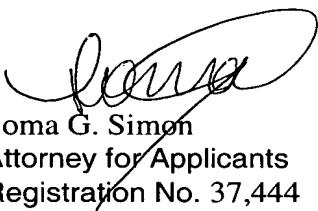


REMARKS

This Preliminary Amendment is being made upon entry of International Application No. PCT/EP2004/008000 into the U.S. National Phase of prosecution. An Abstract on a separate sheet is attached as required under 37 CFR 1.72(b). Claims 2-8, 15, 19 and 20 have been amended to conform with proper US formatting. Claims 12-14, 17 and 18 have been cancelled. Entry of this amendment into the record is requested.

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